

UNITED STATE BANKRUPTCY COURT
DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND

In re: Tallulah's Taqueria, LLC
Debtor,

Case No. 25-bk-10270
Chapter 11 Subchapter V

APPLICATION FOR FINAL COMPENSATION OF JOSEPH M. DIORIO,
SUBCHAPTER V TRUSTEE.

Joseph M. DiOrio, Esq, the Subchapter V trustee (the "Trustee") of the bankruptcy estate of Tallulah's Taqueria, LLC (the "Debtor"), hereby requests the approval of this Court, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 330, and Bankruptcy Rule 2016, and Local Rule 2016-1, for allowance of compensation and reimbursement of the Trustee for services and expenses performed as Subchapter V Trustee in the above-referenced matter in the amount of \$3,541.50 in legal fees and \$249.31 in expenses for the time period of April 11, 2025 to July 18, 2025. The Trustee has not received a retainer from any party.

In support of this Application, the Trustee states the following:

1. On April 7, 2025, Tallulah's Taqueria, LLC, (the "Debtor") filed a petition for relief under Chapter 11 Subchapter V of the bankruptcy code.
2. On April 11, 2025, Joseph M. DiOrio was appointed as the Subchapter V Trustee.
3. On May 7, 2025, the meeting of creditors was Held and Adjourned.
4. On June 25, 2025, the Debtor counsel filed a Motion to dismiss or convert to Chapter 7 [Doc 55].
5. In accordance with Local Rule 2016-1, an overall summary of hours expended by each timekeeper is attached as **Exhibit A**. These services are itemized fully in the contemporaneously maintained computer time records attached as **Exhibit B**. A biography of the attorneys who provided services is attached as **Exhibit C**. An itemization of expenses is attached as **Exhibit D**.

6. All professional services for which this Application seeks compensation were performed by the Trustee, except for the one hour of Attorney Javellys Polanco's time.
7. The compensation and reimbursement sought in this Application will not be divided, shared, or pooled directly or indirectly with any other person or firm.

WHEREFORE, the Trustee respectfully requests that this Court enter an Order authorizing payment to the Trustee in the amount of \$ 3,790.81 which represents payment for his services and the services of his colleagues and expenses rendered for the time period of April 11, 2025, through July 18, 2025.

Respectfully submitted:
Joseph M. DiOrio, Subchapter V Trustee

/s/ Joseph M. DiOrio
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Dated: July 21, 2025

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EXHIBIT A
Overall Summary

Attorney	Year Admitted	Initials	Hourly Rate	Hours	Total
Joseph M. DiOrio	1981	JMD	\$495.00	6.7	\$3,316.50
Javellys Polanco	2024	JP	\$225.00	1	\$225.00
			Total	7.7	\$3,541.50

Blended Hourly Rate
\$/time = \$ 459.93

EXHIBIT B
Time Entries

Date	Narrative	Hours	Amount	Lawyer	Category
4/11/2025	Call and email with Sandra Nicholls and David Quinn re meeting at business premises and interview of debtor;	0.2	\$ 99.00	JMD	Case Management
4/11/2025	Prepare statement of disinterestness for court filing	0.2	\$ 99.00	JMD	Case Management
4/17/2025	View Ives Street business premises.	0.5	\$ 247.50	JMD	Case Management
4/17/2025	Conduct Debtor's initial interview.	1	\$ 495.00	JMD	Case Management
4/18/2025	Call with Sandra Nicholls re case.	0.15	\$ 74.25	JMD	Case Management
4/18/2025	Call with T. Quinn.	0.1	\$ 49.50	JMD	Case Management
4/18/2025	Call with S. Nicholls re. cash collateral and case.	0.1	\$ 49.50	JMD	Case Management
4/26/2025	Review schedules and tax return.	0.35	\$ 173.25	JMD	Case Management
5/7/2025	Attend 341 Hearing.	1.1	\$ 544.50	JMD	Case Management
5/14/2025	Attend Status hearing.	1.5	\$ 742.50	JMD	Case Management
5/30/2025	Call with Tom Quinn re status and next steps.	0.2	\$ 99.00	JMD	Case Management
5/30/2025	Email from US Trustee's office re MOR.	0.1	\$ 49.50	JMD	Case Management
5/31/2025	Review proposed cash collateral order and email to Tom Quinn.	0.5	\$ 247.50	JMD	Case Management
6/3/2025	Email from Matt McGowan re status.	0.1	\$ 49.50	JMD	Case Management
6/10/2025	Email to Matt McGowan re status.	0.1	\$ 49.50	JMD	Case Management
6/23/2025	Email to Tom Quinn ; review email from UST re MOR status.	0.1	\$ 49.50	JMD	Case Management
6/24/2025	Call with Tom Quinn re status.	0.2	\$ 99.00	JMD	Case Management
6/25/2025	Email and call with Sandra Nicholls re case status and next steps.	0.2	\$ 99.00	JMD	Case Management
6/26/2025	Draft limited objection.	0.8	\$ 180.00	JP	Case Management
7/1/2025	Revise limited objection.	0.2	\$ 45.00	JP	Case Management
		7.7	\$ 3,541.50		

EXHIBIT C
Biographies

Joseph M. DiOrio (JMD) is an attorney whose practice is concentrated in the areas of bankruptcy and insolvency law, commercial lending law, and workout law. He started his own practice in May of 2005 which merged with Pannone Lopes Devereaux & O’Gara LLC in July 2023. He is admitted to practice before the bars of Rhode Island, Massachusetts, and Connecticut, the U.S. District Courts of Rhode Island and Massachusetts, and the First District Court of Appeals. He received his Bachelor of Science degree, *magna cum laude*, from Boston College in 1978 and earned his law degree, *magna cum laude*, in 1981 from the Syracuse University College of Law. He is a Fellow of the Rhode Island Bar Foundation and American Bar Foundation. He is a member of the Rhode Island, Massachusetts and American Bar Associations, the Federal Bar Association, the American Bankruptcy Institute, Commercial Law League of America, and National Association of Bankruptcy Trustees. In law school, he was a member of the Order of the Coif, and the Justinian Honorary Law Society. He is a recipient of American Jurisprudence Awards and is listed in “Best Lawyers in America”, under Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights and Financial Institutions since 2004. His billing rate is \$495.00 during this period.

Javellys Polanco (JP) is an associate attorney who is admitted to the following bars: Rhode Island, Massachusetts, U.S. District Court of Rhode Island, and the U.S. District Court of Massachusetts. She received her Bachelor of Arts from the University of Pennsylvania and earned her J.D. from Boston University School of Law in 2023. Her billing rate is \$225.00 for this period.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on July 21, 2025, I electronically filed the within document(s) with the Clerk of the Bankruptcy Court for the District of Rhode Island using the CM/ECF System. Participants have received notice electronically.

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I further hereby certify that on July 21, 2025, I mailed a copy of the foregoing document to the following participants by First Class Mail, postage prepaid (*see attached sheets*):

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FEE APPLICATION SUMMARY SHEET

**R.I. Local Form 2016-1.1
(Rev. 3/3/2003)**

-----X	Fees Previously Requested: \$ 0.00	NAME OF APPLICANT:
In re:	Fees Previously Awarded: \$ 0.00	Joseph M. DiOrio
Tallulah's Taqueria, LLC	BK No. 25-10270	
	Chapter 11 Sub V	
Debtor	Expenses Previously Requested: \$0.00	ROLE IN THE CASE:
-----X	Expenses Previously Awarded: \$0.00	Sub V Trustee
	Retainer Paid: \$0.00	CURRENT APPLICATION:
		Fees Requested: \$ 249.31
		Expenses Requested: \$ 3,541.50
		Blended Hourly Rate: \$
		(Excluding Paraprofessionals)

FEE APPLICATION

NAMES OF PROFESSIONALS/ PARAPROFESSIONALS	YEAR ADMITTED TO PRACTICE	<u>HOURS BILLED</u> Current Application	RATE	TOTAL FOR APPLICATION
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PARTNERS

Joseph M. DiOrio	1981	6.7	\$495.00	\$3,316.50
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ASSOCIATES

Javellys Polanco	2023	1	\$225.00	\$225.50
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PARAPROFESSIONALS

R.I. Local Form 2016-1.3
(Eff. 3/3/2003)

FINAL FEE ALLOWANCE SUMMARY

----- X
In re: :
Tallulah's Taqeria, LLC
Debtor : BK No. 25-10270
Chapter 11 Sub V
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----- X

FEES:

1. Period of Services in this Case: 4/11/2025 to 7/21/2025
2. Total Hours of Services Performed in this Case: 7.7
3. Blended Hourly Rate for Fees Requested: \$ 459.93
(Excluding paraprofessionals)
4. Total Fee Award Requested: \$ 3,541.50
5. Retainer Credited Against Award: \$ 0.00
6. Interim Fees Allowed and Credited Against Award: \$ 0.00
7. Final Payment Requested: \$ 3,541.50
8. Approximate Distribution to Creditors in this Case:
 - (a) Administrative: _____ %
 - (b) Secured: _____ %
 - (c) Unsecured: _____ %

EXPENSES:

1. Total Expense Reimbursements Requested: \$ 249.31
2. Expenses Allowed to Date: \$ _____
3. Expense Request for Final Period: \$ _____
4. Breakdown of Item No. 3 Total:
 - a. Travel Expense: \$ _____
 - b. Postage: \$ 86.34
 - c. Photocopies: \$ 160.37
 - d. Express Mail/Messenger: \$ _____
 - e. Overtime Charges: \$ _____
 - f. Other Expenses (Itemize):
\$ _____
\$ _____
\$ _____